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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZATION TO MODIFY FUNDING AND STATEMENT OF WORK
FOR GANG INTERVENTION CONTRACTS**

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to exercise delegated authority to extend the current gang intervention contracts for the period of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, at a total maximum cost of \$2,051,455 (see attached list) subject to availability of funds in FY 2005-06 and contractors waiving the right to a 30 day notice to extend the contracts. If funds are not available in FY 2005-06, the amendments will not be executed.
2. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to negotiate and execute a modification to revise the statement of work for the contracts, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, to more closely complement the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) new High Risk/High Needs program.
3. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to execute modifications to the contracts not exceeding twenty-five percent (25%) of the total contract cost and/or one hundred eighty (180) days to the period of performance pursuant to the terms contained therein, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATION

The current contracts are funded with JJCPA savings and are not a part of the FY 2005-06 grant plan. As such, the Department is proposing to extend the contracts for the remaining one-year contract option subject to availability of other funds. In addition, Probation is recommending a change in the statement of work that will more closely complement the JJCPA new High Risk/High Needs program, resulting in a stronger strategy aimed at reducing gang violence throughout the County.

Probation proposes to modify the statements of work for each of the contracts to include community mobilization, a component included in the original contracts and discontinued due to funding cuts. This component will focus on community mobilization activities and gang intervention services, emphasizing the involvement of parents and residents in planning and implementation of activities that strengthen and enhance the capacity of parents to: (1) monitor the whereabouts of their children, (2) participate more fully and responsibly in school life, and (3) participate in activities that promote public safety and enhance quality of life for both youth and neighborhood residents. The modified statement of work will focus on gang mediation, and reducing gang/racial tensions and gang retaliations.

The need for the gang intervention services continues to exist throughout the County. Specifically, the community mobilization component that the Department proposes to reinstate in the contract extension will be instrumental in addressing the increased needs in several communities.

Attached is a detail listing of the affected CBOs and the proposed contract amounts.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan, Children and Families' Well-Being Goal #5, as implementation of the recommendations will enable the Probation Department to continue the coordination and collaboration of integrated services for probation and at-risk youth and their families.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated cost to extend the current gang intervention contracts for one year effective July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 is \$2,051,455. The extension of these contracts is contingent upon availability funds in FY 2005-06.

The County shall not have an obligation to pay for any services provided by any contractor after June 30, 2005, unless funds are available for such services in FY 2005-06.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On April 13, 2004, your Board authorized the Chief Probation Officer to apply for and accept \$27,961,789 in fourth year JJCPA funding for FY 2004-2005 from the State of California Board of Corrections (BOC), upon approval of the County of Los Angeles Application and Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan Modification (Plan). In May 2004, the BOC approved the Plan and allocated the funds to the County.

The FY 2004-2005 Plan included the merging of the Gang Intervention and Intensive Transition services programs into the new High Risk/High Needs program, and restructuring all the Gender Specific services programs (community, camps, and juvenile halls). Probation immediately began working on solicitations for new services. In the interim, the gang intervention, intensive transition, and gender-specific services contracts were extended through October 31, 2004.

To prevent a break in services during the extended solicitation period, the gang intervention contracts were extended again through January 31, 2005. However, due to an escalation of racial and ethnic gang violence at the high school level, Probation proposed that the gang intervention services be continued past their expiration date to address the spike in gang activity. The Board approved the proposal and the contracts were extended through June 30, 2005, with a one-year option to renew. The proposed modifications will exercise the one-year renewal option and modify the statement of work to complement the JJCPA High Risk/High Needs program.

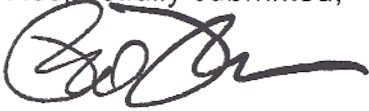
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The Department will not request the contractor to perform services that exceed the Board approved contract amount, scope of work, and/or contract dates. The current contracts include all of the County requirements, including the hiring of displaced County employees and participants in the GAIN program, and requirements regarding contractor non-responsibility and debarment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

The recommended actions will allow the Department to continue providing gang intervention services through the efforts of community-based organizations.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Probation Officer

Attachment (1)

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c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel

**PROPOSED FUNDING ALLOCATIONS
GANG INTERVENTION CONTRACTS
FY 05/06**

AGENCY NAME	Contract Number	Area (Cluster) Served	Proposed Funding FY 05/06
Art Share- Bell/ South Gate	Prob 0077	1	\$136,764
Art Share- Highland Park/ E. L.A.	Prob 0078	1	\$136,764
Art Share- Pomona/San Gabriel Valley	Prob 0078	1	\$136,764
Asian American Drug Abuse-Crenshaw/West LA	Prob 0073	2	\$136,764
Asian American Drug Abuse-Florence/Firestone	Prob 0073	2	\$136,764
Stop the Violence Increase the Peace-Watts/Inglewood	Prob 0080	2	\$136,764
Communities in Schools-Venice	74659	3	\$61,541
Communities in Schools-Hollywood	Prob 0088	3	\$82,058
Communities in Schools-San Fernando	Prob 0072	3	\$266,688
Communities n Schools- Santa Clarita/ San Fernando	74659	5	\$136,764
Helpline Youth- Long Beach/South Bay	Prob 0081	4	\$136,764
Helpline Youth- Whittier/Bellflower	Prob 0082	4	\$136,764
Helpline Youth-N. Long Beach/Lakewood	Prob 0081	4	\$136,764
Asian Youth Center-San Gabriel	74660	5	\$136,764
United Community Action Network-Antelope Valley	Prob 0083	5	\$136,764
TOTAL			\$2,051,455